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### WEEKEND WEATHER

Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
81	74	64
55	42	41
0%	30%	10%

Source: <http://weather.com>

## NUMBER CRUNCH

**\$26,455,463**

“Borat’s” earning at the U.S. Box Office after one weekend in theatres

Source: Yahoo Movies



BRITTANY THOMAS / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Pete Griffin (left), from The Charlie Elliot Wildlife Center, displays a snake to a crowd of children during the Sweetwater Festival on Saturday. The festival drew in more than 10,000 attendees, who stayed for music, barbecue and other entertainment.

## As ‘sweet’ as always

BY BRIAN FARRELL  
STAFF WRITER

Students, residents, vendors, artists, cops and barbecue gurus showed up in record numbers on Saturday, Nov. 4, for Milledgeville’s third annual Sweetwater Festival.

According to Heather Holder of the Milledgeville Mainstreet Downtown Development Authority, the final tally came in at just under ten thousand people. The festival is put on by Milledgeville Mainstreet as a fundraiser for down-

town, with more than 40 corporate sponsors, and the proceeds go toward renovations to buildings, landscaping costs, and low-interest micro-loans for downtown merchants.

“The event costs somewhere around \$108,000 to put on, and takes about a year to plan,” said Mainstreet employee Lindsey Hornsby. “The money that doesn’t get used by the City will go into the fund for next year’s festival, which we are already planning.”

The event featured vendor booths, a kid’s zone

with four inflatables and a rock climbing wall, a community stage with family entertainment, an SGA sponsored music stage with special performances by Moonshine Still and Perpetual Groove, among other bands, and the twenty-first annual Old Capital Car Club Open Car Show. However, the main attraction of the Sweetwater Festival was the barbecue contest.

The barbecue contestants each paid \$115 per category to enter the contest with a total of four categories, and braved the

nighttime sub-30 degree temperatures with Boy Scout enthusiasm.

The contest was sponsored by Midsouth Federal Credit Union and featured a record number of teams this year, with 25 teams represented. Besides the bragging rights that go along with winning such a prestigious event, the grand champion was awarded a \$2,000 cash prize, a sponsorship to Memphis in May for the barbecue contest there and a trophy presented by

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## Evan Luke’s life had great impact

BY SARAH VER STEEG  
SENIOR REPORTER

One year has passed since the death of GCSU student Evan Luke, but his friends still feel the pain and shock of losing him so suddenly and tragically.

Josh Campbell, a senior English major, said he was completely shocked when he heard the news of Luke’s death.

“I didn’t want to believe it,” Campbell said. “I had never lost anyone tragically that I had actually known.”

Campbell said on the night of Halloween last year, there was a big party downtown. Luke and another man his age began to argue on the way home.

“I don’t think they knew each other before they started arguing,” Campbell said. “I know it was something petty — ridiculous — something not worth even fighting over.”

The argument escalated and both Luke and his opponent grew more heated.

“The thing that gets me the most is that it was because of alcohol,” Campbell said. “It wouldn’t have happened

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## Student Health Services administers flu shots

BY BROOKE WILLIAMS  
STAFF WRITER

The chilly weather and the rich, golden colors of the falling leaves mark the beginning of several seasons associated with the Fall and Winter months: football season, the holiday season and, unfortunately, flu season.

Student Health Services at GCSU offered flu shots to students and faculty for the first time this semester on Tuesday, Oct. 21, in Beeson Hall.

The process was quick and simple, and recipients were generally in and out within 10 minutes. By the end of the day, the staff administered over 70 shots with no tears shed and only a few whimpers heard. Most recipients were just glad they remembered to stop by and get the shot.

“I usually get one every year, around this time,” said Corinne Burstein, a freshman mass communication major. “My parents always want me to. I hadn’t planned on getting it done today, but I read the announcement in my e-mail this morning and decided to stop by.”

Flu season officially

begins in October and ends in May, but according to the Centers for Disease Control, the peak season is from December to the beginning of March. The flu is a respiratory virus referred to as influenza in medical terms. If contracted, the virus can cause high fever, a runny nose, extreme fatigue and body aches, nausea and even vomiting and diarrhea. Generally, the elderly and young children are at higher risk for contracting the flu, but no one is

completely immune to the highly contagious virus.

Susan Loper, director of Student Health Services, said, generally, more of the faculty and staff take advantage of the vaccine offer than students.

“I think students just don’t want to get stuck,” Loper said. “A little sting and a sore arm are worth it to protect you from the flu.”

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ANDREW BENESH / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Kathy Frazier, RN, prepares an injection of flu vaccine. Students could get the vaccine on Oct. 21.



JEN FORDHAM / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
GCSU is attempting to expand its dining options by adding a new Blimpie to the campus food roster.

## Blimpie may set up shop in MSU

BY KATIE HUSTON  
SENIOR REPORTER

Sandwich lovers may soon have another on-campus dining option when it comes to satisfying that craving, thanks to the proposed new Blimpie at GCSU.

Neil Seigler is involved in the decision-making process. He warns not to get too excited, because Blimpie is only one of the venues that have been looked at as a potential new establishment.

“Blimpie is just a name,” Seigler said. “Nothing is 100 percent (right now).”

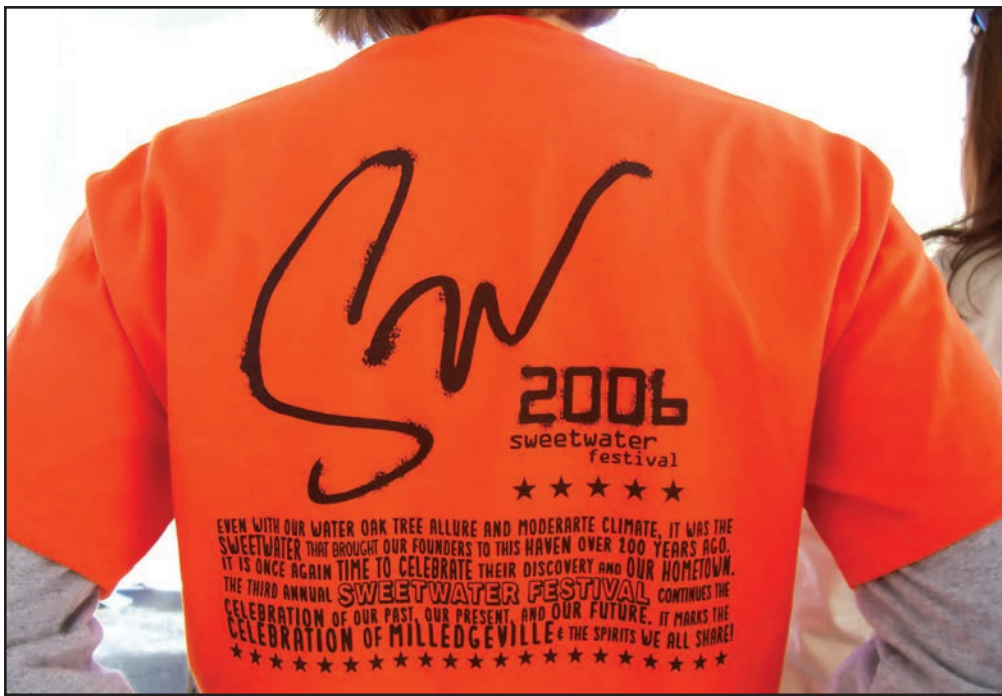
Lauren Winfield, a junior, likes the idea of a new addition to campus.

“(It) sounds good to me,” Winfield said. “I think it’s a good way to show variety; it’s something different.”

The new Blimpie would accompany the already existing Chick-fil-A, Einstein Bagels, and Grill 55. If negotiations are successful, Blimpie would be located where the Ice Box currently stands.

It is unknown at this time what would become of the Ice Box if Blimpie overtook it.

Junior Alison Prock



ASHLEY ACKERMAN / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## Sweetwater

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Senator Johnny Grant and Milledgeville Mayor Richard Bentley.

Myron Mixon, member of the team Jack's Old South, and winner of the 2006 contest at The Sweetwater Festival, shared a few secrets of his success.

"The most important thing to remember is not to overcook your meat," Mixon said. "I prefer peach wood, but all the fruit woods are for great for grillin'."

Mixon has already won two world championships,

11 grand championships this year, and will be competing for his fourth win at Memphis in May. Since he already has a spot in Memphis in May, Sweetwater will send the team The Exhausted Rooster Club instead.

Junior accounting major Richard Lenderman used the festival as an opportunity to do a project for his marketing class.

"We sold calendars, gift certificates, party trays, and other similar prizes to raise money for Habitat for Humanity," said Lenderman. "I heard some great music, ate some good food, and raised \$575 in just

seven hours. I'm just glad I got to be there."

"This whole thing wouldn't be possible without GCSU," said Dean of Students and Sweetwater Volunteer Coordinator Beth Rushing. "I've got to say, at least three-fourths of our volunteers are faculty and students and they do a wonderful job. It's an amazing event and a great opportunity for the college to work with the community for the good of this town."

Milledgeville Main St. has more downtown events scheduled for later this year, and the earliest ones should be taking place around Christmas.

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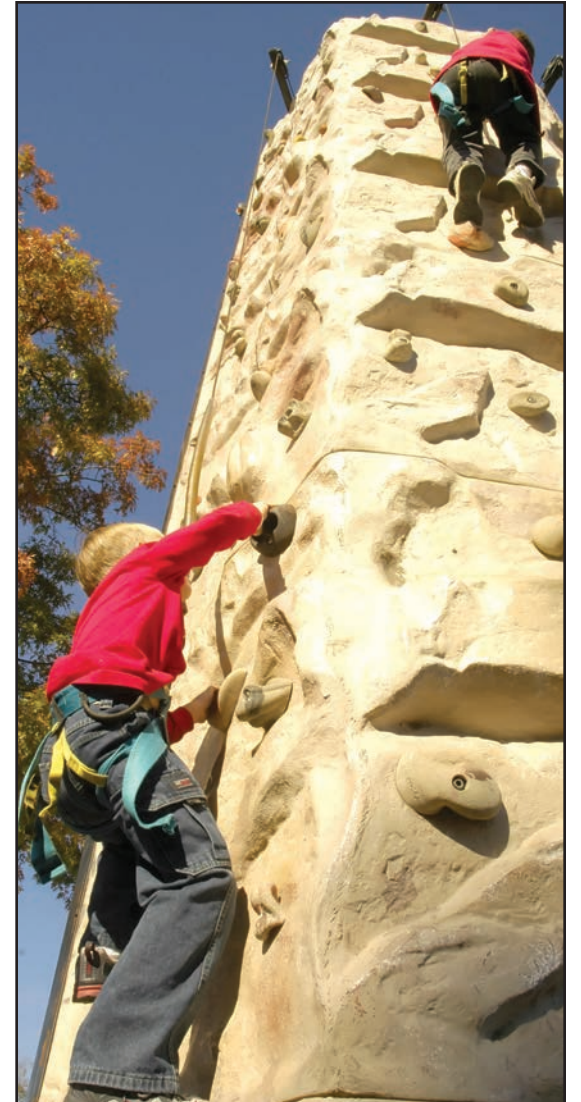
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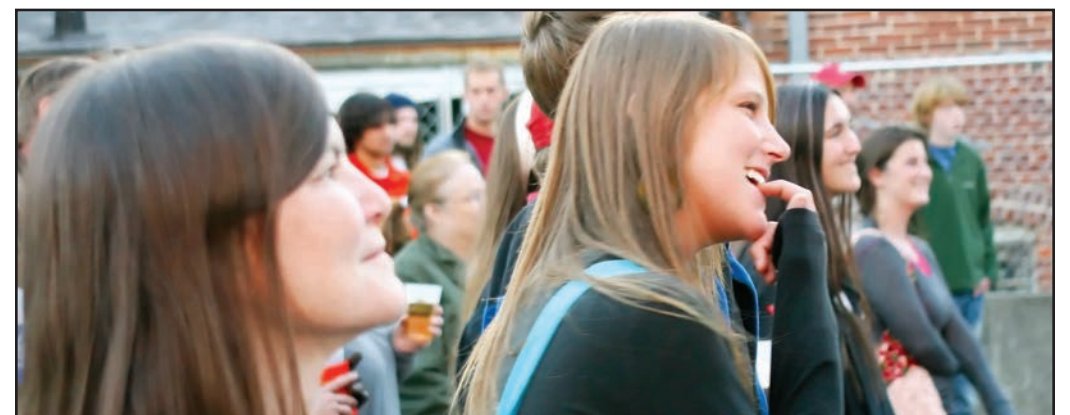
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# PS3, Wii out of price range of most students

BY KATIE HUSTON  
STAFF WRITER

Whether a PlayStation lover or a Nintendo fanatic, gamers will soon be able to take their pick from the latest and greatest of gaming brainwork. With the release of Sony's PlayStation 3 on Nov. 17, followed by Nintendo's Wii on Nov. 19, gaming is about to take on a whole new scope.

For a price of \$499, PlayStation fans can finally enjoy the third wonder Sony has created for their enjoyment. The less thrifty consumer may enjoy their upgraded PS3 at a price of \$599. This configuration comes complete with memory stick/SD/compact flash slots, Wi-Fi, and a 60 gigabyte hard disk drive, all of which the \$499 version lack.

As far as prices for the highly anticipated PS3 go, many students do not think it is worth it.

"It's pretty outrageous for a lot of people, you know college students, we don't have a lot of money," sophomore Rory Schussler said.

Others agree that the prices are steep.

"That's too much cash to shell out," sophomore Lashaundra Pierce simply said.

Senior Palmer Wallace described himself as a moderate gamer.

"PlayStation has released it as a home entertainment system, so the price kind of makes sense,"

Wallace said. He plans to buy the PS3, but not on release day.

"I'm excited, but I can wait," Wallace said. "Unless I can somehow miraculously find one on release day, I'm waiting until the re-release in March."

Nintendo has yet to confirm a set price on the Wii, but estimated costs lie between \$200 and \$300. The console can operate with Nintendo Game Cube controllers, includes memory cards, USB devices, and can connect to the wireless network.

As far as freshman Cory Olesen is concerned, Wii is the way to go.

"The Wii is the only good thing," Olesen said.

Wii is not out to compete technologically with PlayStation, but will attempt to give gamers the same kind of fun presented in a new way. Nintendo hopes to achieve this with its revolutionary new controller.

The Wii controller, which resembles a typical television remote, may look like it's missing some pretty crucial controls.

"At first I was skeptical about it because it looked weird," Schussler said.

It does look a little strange, but the Wii controller has atypical motion and radar detection. Simply wave the remote and watch the desired image on screen obey its command.

"When it comes down to it, it's just 'to each his

own.' You'll have people debate about it all day long," Wallace said, comparing PlayStation and Nintendo.

Wallace is sticking with what suits him best.

"You shop somewhere enough and you get comfortable with a name and logo. PlayStation hasn't disappointed me yet," Wallace said.

Schussler's opinion differs. He plans on buying the Wii on release day, or soon after.

"I'm going to trust Nintendo on this one. It looks awesome," Schussler said.

Olesen also lacks interest in the PS3.

"Until they remake Final Fantasy Seven, definitely not," Olesen said.

For Pierce, her main concern is the games themselves.

"Games are a big portion of it," Pierce said. "I'm not overly excited. I can wait. I'm happy with my Xbox."

Schussler does not plan on buying a PS3.

"It really depends on if PlayStation comes out with anything I have to have, otherwise there's no reason for me to get it," Schussler said.

Rhino Games located on Highway 441 declined to comment on the PS3 or the Wii due to confidentiality issues. With release dates only two days apart, stores can expect mayhem.

"It's going to be a mad house," said Wallace.

## Blimpie

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rarely visits the Ice Box.

"I never eat ice cream there so I never go there," Prock said. "It would be awesome if they replaced it with Blimpie. I like subs, so if it's somewhere close that I can walk to, that's awesome. I eat subs a lot."

Seigler thinks Blimpie would potentially be a good addition to campus. The current dining establishments all compliment each other.

"(They are) all good concepts," Seigler said. "All good food. It's different because you've got Chick-fil-A that is fast food, Einstein's which is still fast food but less so and the Grill is in the middle."

Sophomore Andrew

Bensh spends most of his time and money on restaurants off campus.

"It still would be nice to have variety on campus besides just Chick-fil-A," Bensh said.

When deciding what kind of venues to add to campus, Seigler said that it always comes down to what the students like.

"It's always for the student," Seigler said.

The Blimpie talk has been underway for a few months. Negotiations are still up in the air, so no date for its arrival has been set.

Seigler said that no other new establishments are in the works right now.

"Once the semester starts, it is tough to start with anything new," Seigler said.

There is a certain consensus around campus that students desire an Italian option.

"Maybe something with

some pizza," Prock said. Bensh is thinking in the same direction.

"A Fazoli's would be nice," Bensh said.

When asked what he thinks it takes for a venue on campus to be successful, Seigler said, "Location, location, location."

Bensh thinks it all comes down to price and speed of the venue.

"I really don't know," Bensh said. "I think part of it has to do with the amount of time you have to wait."

To Prock, it all depends on the restaurant itself.

"I guess it depends on if it's somewhere people like to eat," Prock said. "I can never really tell if the Grill place is open, so I never pay it any attention. If there is going to be a Blimpie that's a good name because a lot of people like subs."

## Flu Shots

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Loper also attributes the cost as another deterrent for students. But she insists the \$18 price tag is a bargain.

"We don't make any profit from this, we only charge what it costs us to buy the vaccine. Most doctors offices will charge \$35 and the public health department charges \$30 for the shot."

According to www.flu-facts.com, some other ways students can reduce their chances, as well as their peers' chances, of getting the flu are simple health-habit tips. Hand washing is a good way to prevent the spread of possible flu infected germs and always using a tissue

whenever the need to sneeze arises. Students should also try not to share drinking glasses.

While good health habits will help, a flu shot is the best measure to take when it comes to flu prevention. Still, many students feel a flu shot is not a necessity for them.

"I don't think I will get one this year," said Mike Heath, a sophomore environmental science major. "I have never gotten one before and I haven't had the flu in years. Maybe if they advertised the offer more, I would think it was more important that I get the shot."

Student Health Services will offer the vaccine until they run out, but they insist there is plenty to go around. The date and time for the next offer is still to be announced, but stu-

dents will be notified by e-mail. The shot can be paid for with cash, check or it can be billed to the student's account.

For more flu information, visit the GCSU Student Health Services website at [http://info.gcsu.edu/intranet/health\\_services/studenthealth/](http://info.gcsu.edu/intranet/health_services/studenthealth/).

### Flu Symptoms

- Fever (usually high)
- Headache
- Muscle aches
- Chills
- Extreme tiredness
- Dry cough
- Runny nose
- Stomach symptoms, such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea

*Information  
courtesy of flufacts.com*



PlayStation 3

VS



Nintendo Wii

(L-R) The Sony PlayStation 3 goes on sale on Nov.17, with the Nintendo Wii (controller shown) following on Nov. 19.

## Luke

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if it weren't for alcohol."

Campbell knows that Luke was stabbed and later died, but he chose not to find out any more details.

"I didn't want to know anything else," Campbell said. "At that point it didn't really matter. I just couldn't believe he wasn't here anymore."

According to Campbell, Luke had been experiencing a turning point in his life during the months before his death.

"Evan was just getting his life back together," Campbell said. "He was coming back into his own and getting his grades back up, then a few days later he was gone."

Campbell said it would be difficult to prevent this type of thing from happening again. He said the best way to prevent it would be to remember stories like Luke's and learn from the mistakes made.

"It is a reference point to look back at what happened that changed things forever," Campbell said. "This happened then so we won't do it again. It will affect people's decisions."

Motie Wiggins, a junior management major and childhood friend of Luke's, said the one-year anniversary of Luke's death helped bring some closure for him.

"You mourn, then you mourn some more," Wiggins said. "You don't stop mourning, but you

move on. Evan wouldn't want us to be here sitting around; he'd want us to move on with our lives."

Wiggins and Luke grew up in the same subdivision and they played baseball and fished together. As they grew older, they stayed in touch and eventually they both came to GCSU. Wiggins said Luke was one of his best friends.

"When you lose someone that close to you, you start asking questions," Wiggins said. "It starts putting things in perspective — it could have been me. It makes you wake up

"We just wanted to do everything we could to make sure it didn't happen again," Ricks said. "We want to make sure everyone is safe."

Ricks said there were around 45 to 50 drivers throughout the evening. He said they drove around 300 people either to or from downtown.

The fraternity spread the word of the rides by telling all the other fraternities and sororities and also by a Facebook group.

Kappa Sigma is creating a scholarship in memory of Luke. The fraternity will

**“ I didn’t want to believe it. I had never lost anyone tragically that I had actually known. ”**  
**— Josh Campbell, Friend**

and look at the world differently.”

J.W. Thaxton, a senior management major and former roommate of Luke's said he and Luke were good friends. Thaxton was with Luke earlier on the night he died.

"It's still hard to believe it happened," Thaxton said. "To think that a night like that would end so tragically. I don't think we'll ever be over it."

Johnny Ricks, president of Kappa Sigma, the fraternity of which Luke was a member, said many of the guys in the fraternity went downtown on the night of Halloween and offered rides to students in memory of Luke.

have a fundraiser next semester to raise money for the scholarship. Ricks hopes it will go into effect in the Fall. Ricks said the scholarship would be available to a male student, but they are still working on the qualifications.

"It was kind of a chapter decision," Ricks said. "I think Evan would approve."

Ricks said the one-year anniversary of Luke's death was a good wake-up call for him and others.

"It definitely doesn't seem like it's been a year," Ricks said. "All in all, it woke up a lot of people here. It can happen even in our backyard."

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## DOMINY'S DOODLES

BY KYLE DOMINY



## Nay-sayers need to let Saddam hang



BY ANDREW ADAMS  
COLUMNIST

On Nov. 5, the Independent Iraqi Judiciary released their verdict in the trial of the man that has undoubtedly killed more Muslims than any person ever. Not surprisingly, Saddam Hussein's genocide of over 600,000 qualified him for crimes against humanity punishable by hanging. This was certainly a victory for the United States, which now sees fair judgment on the man that many servicemen and -women sacrificed to depose. But

the major victory is for the Iraqis who can rejoice to see the creator of mass graves and torture chambers meet his ultimate demise at the hands of his own government. One news correspondent in Iraq on the day of the verdict said that this is a wonderful day for every Iraqi, as most all had members of their family killed under Saddam's regime.

A recent Gallup Poll says that 59 percent of Americans disapprove of the way that America is fighting the war. This is surprising considering the successes America has had in the last two years of the war. On June 29, 2004, America successfully handed over sovereignty to the Iraqi people. The Iraqi people held their first truly free election on Jan. 31, 2005. That election was very successful as women were allowed to vote, and many women were elected to the Iraqi Parliament. Additionally, the voter

turn-out in that election was higher than in America's 2004 presidential election. Not long ago, the Al Qaeda leader in Iraq, Abu Masab al-Zarqawi, was killed, leaving the insurgency in greater disarray.

But all these successes don't seem to matter for some Americans that have been nay-sayers from the beginning. Howard Dean, the leader of the Democratic National Committee, has consistently argued that Iraq was better off with Saddam Hussein in power. Apparently he finds it acceptable for a government leader to use biological and chemical weapons against his own constituents to the tune of 600,000 deaths. Iraq isn't the happiest place on earth right now, but I know that any reasonable person realizes that Iraq is better off with their new sovereign government than living at the mercy of the

"Butcher of Baghdad."

Americans have recently been concerned and disapproving of the way we are combating Al Qaeda in Iraq. It's not unpatriotic to question the president. In fact, it's a civic duty. Hopefully, the Bush administration will answer our concerns and make any needed adjustments to improve the success of this war. However, we must also realize that no war is without its losses. As of Nov. 5, the day of Saddam's sentence, there have been 2,320 American service men and women that have willingly made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. They fought to make America and the world safer. I pray we don't let their sacrifice be in vain.

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## Political balance necessary to fix poverty



BY JOE WEISSMAN  
COLUMNIST

Imagine the beginning of a new phase of mankind. Picture just one out of the many possible worlds that could become our future.

So as not to conjure up a world completely alien to us, let's consider simply this: a world without hunger.

In this vision, we encounter the coarsest of human needs met — all the revolutionary talk of freedom and equality tends to ignore the essentially authentic project of feeding the hungry, for we forget the truest revolutions need not be violent.

Surely we can all agree a world without hunger is an incommensurably bet-

ter world than ours.

But did you know that for over 50 years there's been more than enough global food production to feed the entire population of the earth?

The reason behind this seeming incongruity — starvation while there's a food surplus — is distribution, that is to say, capital. Orbiting along its controlled circuit, wealth somehow leaves out of the loop those not so prosperously fated.

All excuses aside, an honest look reveals the situation is man-made. Starvation in a world with more than enough food to go around uncovers a short-circuit of responsibility, honesty and trust. We cannot blame nature (even human nature) for this ethically unacceptable state of affairs.

Everyone knows money has for ages privileged the few above the rest, and that the trend has by no means reversed itself: Today 2.5 million millionaires live in North America as 1.1 billion people languish in extreme poverty, living on less than a dollar a day.

In modern times, the hypocritical contradiction inherent in the affected "democratic" and "humanitarian" sociopolitical posture of the powerful and the wealthy has only become more blatant.

So the simplest human necessity, hunger, relates us inexorably back to poverty.

The endless controversy over poverty (marked in this country by a curious, but revealing, mixture of arrogance, wretchedness and pity) suggests a peculiar contradiction: a feigned humanitarian pity, repugnantly self-serving in origin, which serves to disguise a perverse curiosity. But how consistent is the American attitude towards poverty, in both ethical and political terms, when one considers the lack of significance attached to the (in)justice of starvation? Perhaps there is no mystery in such a prevailing attitude towards poverty on the part of a "free" market society, an over-exposed digital culture of convenience.

The concept and lived reality of poverty are perhaps keys to navigating

that most complex of man-made phenomena: the dynamic balance of power between the state and the individual. Poverty would appear to emerge as a flaw from the flowing conservation of unity, energy and purity as the whole subdivides itself into parts; the reality of starvation reminds us of the arbitrary nature of power, problematizes the moral foundations of political action and economic theory by the powerful and/or wealthy.

The political import of all this lies in this question: How to bridge the rift between society and man, and of different classes of men within society? What is the proper social distribution of power?

How do we balance freedom and equality, focus upon the equilibrium of meeting the needs and desires of the individual and the society?

The art of striking this balance is the whole of the political.

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## Our Voice

*Micah Armstrong did  
the campus a favor*

Last week Micah Armstrong, a traveling evangelist, preached his message of repentance at the campus Free Speech Zone last week.

This zone is an area set aside in public places for activists to exercise their right of free speech. These areas are based on U.S. court decisions specifying that the government may regulate the time and place, but not the content of expression.

The Free Speech Zone at GCSU, if you did not already know, is the GCSU Bobcat logo on Front Campus.

The question The Colonnade would like to address is: Did Armstrong use the Free Speech Zone appropriately?

The technical answer to this question is no.

He violated the rules of the Free Speech Zone by not giving prior notice that he would be speaking on Front Campus. Under Free Speech Zone rules, the speaker is asked to give prior notice before speaking, so that the institution may find ways to protect the speaker.

But despite Armstrong's technical mistake, he used the Free Speech Zone exactly the way its inventors intended.

As a liberal arts university, the core of education is to be open to new ideas and views.

The fact that Armstrong came on Front Campus and challenged our beliefs enabled the students to look at their own values and evaluate themselves.

So, in a way, Armstrong opened our eyes to other views and helped us become aware of other people's values and beliefs.

His preaching gathered people together and gave us a chance to share our experiences.

Armstrong might have used his free speech to incite and enrage people, but nonetheless, he is still protected. Some would argue this is not the purpose of the Free Speech Zone. We say it is exactly why it is there.

The purpose of the zone is to improve the University by bringing new ideas and views to our school. Though Armstrong had no support behind his argument, blindly accusing students of sinning, his ideas still sparked more relevant conversations among his gathered listeners.

Armstrong might have had better success if he had prepared a more elaborate and supported argument. By attacking our morals and beliefs, all he did was anger people. Most students did not respect what he said, but they had to respect his right to say it.

In the end, though many students disagreed with him, Armstrong did the campus a favor.

He let students know that this university does have a Free Speech Zone.

We need to use this zone more and make it a place of insight. It is a shame that the only time this zone is used is when preachers come to campus and upset the student body.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Freshmen should just grow up

Dear Editor,

I have to start off by saying, in response to Allison Sudholt's letter from Nov. 3, "Poor little freshman, you didn't get the classes you wanted, poor you." Wake up, it's going to happen. No disrespect intended.

After reading your letter, it provoked me. I felt I had to write something back.

Your first statement of the registration process being flawed, that's true. I agree with you on that, but are more classes really the answer? Logically speaking, more classes mean more teachers, more teachers mean more offices, more offices mean more buildings, and more buildings mean MORE MONEY. Granted you mentioned budget cuts, but budget cuts could mean peoples' jobs; but that's an extreme.

After that you mentioned

early registration and the idea that you, along with the other freshman who are not athletes, in honors, or on SGA, are unworthy of this privilege; frankly, yes you are. Again no disrespect intended, but these people are given this privilege for a reason; Honors, they have the grades; SGA, they work for you with the school; Athletes, they put on a face for the school. In defense of athletes, they have the pressure of making the school look good. Think about it, how popular would UGA be without the Bulldogs? I'm not talking about a different mascot, no team(s) at all. Give them something in return, priority registration. Is it unfair for you, as a freshman? Yes it is, it's also not fair for me as a Senior that freshmen in honors, or whatever, get to register with me when I've put in the work. I've put in the time, but so have these

other people. Taking that into consideration, I respect the people who get priority registration. I never got it, because I didn't put in the work or the time. Now, I see it's basic work ethic principals, if you do what is needed then you will receive what is owed. "Give and ye shall receive"

On the sleep depravity issue, get used to it. It only gets worse. As a senior theatre major, we have rehearsals, class, work, homework, and (to the few of us) Senior Capstones. I average between 5-7 hours of sleep a night. That's with very little social time. So, in closing, grow up; you're not going to get everything you want. It's just a part of life.

Sincerely,  
William McQuaig  
Theatre  
Senior

## Colonnade, columnists out of line

Dear Editor,

Both political editorials in the Nov. 3 issue alarmed me with their right-wing bias. Why didn't The Colonnade balance the editorial page with opposing viewpoints? That issue aside, I would like to address a few of the commentators' errors of logic.

I support the idea of the Fair Tax; it makes sense that we should be taxed on what we spend, not what we earn. But Mr. Pitts' argument, and those of Fair Tax supporters in general, demonstrate an ignorance of the way the tax system functions. How does he propose that the government shall send anyone a refund check when it has no way of knowing how much that person has paid in sales tax? If you give someone a refund of taxes they haven't paid, is it really a refund? If not, wouldn't the government be simply giving away money? How is that any less "com-

munist" than the income tax? If we eliminate the income tax (and, thus, the need for employers to report salaries to the IRS), how will the government even know whether someone is the "head of household," much less where that person and his/her family stands in relationship to poverty? In fact, how will the government even determine where the poverty line is? If the IRS is to keep track of all of this, it means that it will have to monitor both how much money people earn (by continuing to collect information from employers) and how much they spend (by initiating a new system of collecting information from businesses about their customers). Wouldn't such a double system only make taxation more complicated and prone to error? And doesn't it amount to yet another bureaucratic intrusion into the privacy of Americans?

I would point out to Mr.

Adams that we are not involved in a state of "occupation" but one of war in Iraq; hence comparisons with the 10-year occupation of Japan and the 53-year occupation of Korea are out of line. American soldiers are not dying every day by the truckload in the Demilitarized Zone between North and South Korea. Democrats arguing for "re-deployment" (which is, I agree, merely an attempt to avoid saying the word "retreat") at least understand that we are at war and in over our heads – something the Bush administration will not recognize. Maybe Democrats are cowards, but at least they have some grasp of the actual situation. When it comes to running affairs in Washington, I'll take a coward over a moron any day.

Sincerely,  
Joshua Lavender  
English  
Junior

## THE COLONNADE POLICY: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## POLL OF THE WEEK

GRAPHIC BY ERIC JONES



Did you attend the Sweetwater Festival? Why or why not?

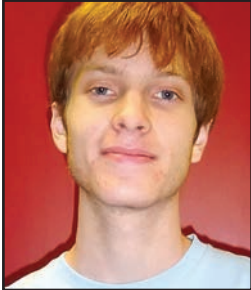


**“No, because I went home this weekend. Last year’s festival was fun, though!”**

*MacKenzie Daniel, Freshman, Nursing*

**“No, I didn’t attend, because my mom and I only had one ticket and I only had another two bucks to spend.”**

*Brian Hunt, Freshman, Undeclared*



**“Yes, so I could go see the bands, hang out with my friends and just chill out.”**

*Jacinda Jack, Senior, Political Science*

**“Yes, because it’s Milledgeville. There’s nothing else to do around here.”**

*Eric Johnson, Sophomore, Athletic Training*



**“Yes, because it was a good place to spend time with my family during Parents’ Day.”**

*Mary Claire Leonard, Freshman, Music Therapy*

*Beat Reported by Phetsada Mounnarath*

# The Litter Box

Instant Message with "ColonnadeVent"

ColonnadeVent

Last message received at: 6:33:10 PM

I must be a really good American. I voted twice.

Chuck Norris once got pulled over for speeding. He let the officer off with a warning.

To all the boys on this campus that insist on acting like girls all the time, I have just one thing thing to say: Grow a pair.

I read Canadian Wal-Marts are now selling adult novelties. My question is, where do they put them?

Man, I'll tell you. Walking across campus with a shovel, a dude's liable to get some crooked looks. Especially if it's dark and raining.

What the hell is a Podcast?

It's 2:42 a.m. . . . I'm writing a paper . . . I have the urge to just delete it all and write another one titled "Why I have Decided Higher Education is Lame, and Beer Tastes Much Better Than A Diploma." Pray for me Vent gods.

Do you know what I hate? When Saga puts laxatives in my food.

Milledgeville has scared me sober.

One of our local video stores has shut down their “backroom video collection.” Why is the porn gone?

Why does every teacher assume that their class is the most important thing in your life?

M&Ms suck, Reece’s Pieces rule!

I am nothing but a rodent in the giant hamster wheel that is GCSU.

I’m a huge fan of Christmas music, but come on people, it’s barely November!

Don’t hate us because we’re sexy.

Why can’t people clean up after their pets at The Grove. It’s like walking through a mine field going to my car.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

November 10 - November 16

Friday, November 10

12 p.m.

First Annual Diamond Scramble Golf Tournament (Athletic Alumni Weekend), Little Fishing Creek Golf Course

7 - 10 p.m.

A.N.G.E.L.S. Old Fashioned “Victorian Masquerade Ball, Magnolia Ballroom New Student Center

Saturday, November 11

12 p.m.

Baseball Home Run Derby (Athletics Alumni Weekend), Peeler Complex

1 p.m.

Alumni Baseball Game (Athletics Alumni Weekend), John Kurtz Field

2 p.m.

Women’s Basketball Alumni Game (Athletics Alumni Weekend), Centennial Center

2 p.m.

Tennis Alumni Match (Athletics Alumni Weekend), Centennial Center Tennis Courts

3 p.m.

Men’s Basketball Alumni Event (Athletics Alumni Weekend), Centennial Center

5 p.m.

Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony (Athletics Alumni Weekend), Centennial Center

6 p.m.

Alumni Barbecue (Athletics Alumni Weekend), Magnolia Ballroom, Centennial Center

7:30 p.m.

Choral & String Ensembles Mozart Memorial Concert, First Baptist Church, Milledgeville

Sunday, November 12

Monday, November 13

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

“Infinite Pieces” by Senior Art Major Karen Jarratt, Blackbridge Hall Art Gallery

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

John Culver’s Exhibition “Traveling Through Time, Trying to Find Paradise,” Blackbridge Hall

12:30 p.m.

Future High School Educators Meeting, Free Pizza, School of Education Rm. 221

4 p.m.

Native American Pow Wow, Front Campus

8:28 p.m.

FCA, Maple Room

Tuesday, November 14

10 a.m.

How to Make a Living With an Art Degree, Mayfair Hall Room 202

12 - 1 p.m.

Faculty Brown-Bag Lunch with President Leland, Bobcat Dining Room

6 - 8 p.m.

Transfer Student Association Game Night, Bobcat Village Clubhouse

7 p.m.

Information/ Application Meeting for Undergraduate Teacher Education Cohort Programs, Peabody Auditorium in the Kilpatrick Education Building

8 p.m.

BCM Synergy, Magnolia Ballroom, SAC

Wednesday, November 15

12:30 p.m.

Gallery Talk: Infinite Pieces by Karen Jarratt, Blackbridge Hall Art Gallery

12:30 - 2 p.m.

Student Government Association Meeting, SAC

2 p.m.

Dogwood Room A&B

2 p.m.

Outdoor Aerobics, Bobcat Village Soccer Field

2 - 3 p.m.

Career Center Wonderful Wednesday Workshop: Interviewing/Skills ID

5 p.m.

SIFE Meeting

5 - 7 p.m.

Reception for Intimate Pieces by Karen Jarratt, Blackbridge Hall Gallery

6 p.m.

A.N.G.E.L.S. meeting, Blackbird Coffee House (Downtown)

6:30 p.m.

All About Diabetes, Wellness Depot Classroom

8 p.m.

Christian Life, Maple A Rm, SAC

8 p.m.

Wesley House, Magnolia Ballroom

8 p.m.

Slam Poets: Steve & Sekou, MSU Lounge

8:30 p.m.

International Club Coffee Night, Kilpatrick Atrium

Thursday, November 16

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Enterprise Rent-A-Car On-Campus Interviews, The Career Center

9:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Ceramic Throwing Demonstration, Grassman Ceramic Studio behind Blackbridge Hall

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Great American Smokeout- Kick Your Habit Workshop: How to Make Electronic Toys into Musical Instruments through Circuit Bending, Mayfair Hall Room 202

4 p.m.

Music Performance by “Coit,” Max Noah Recital Hall

THE COLONNADE

Public Safety Report



Limited Parking

On Oct. 31, at approximately 8:01 a.m., Officer English observed a vehicle on Montgomery Street that was improperly parked and blocking the driveway to Student Health Services. The vehicle was issued a citation for Improper Parking. Old Capitol Wrecker was called to tow the vehicle.

All over the place

On Oct. 31, at approximately 12:58 a.m., Officer Pissott observed a vehicle on Greene Street unable to maintain lane. A traffic stop was initiated and contact was made with the driver. While speaking to the driver, Officer Pissott detected the odor of alcohol. When tested on the Intoxilyzer 5000, the driver registered a .126. The driver was arrested and transported to Milledgeville PD and charged with DUI and weaving over the Roadway.

The flower man

On Nov. 1, at approximately 12:41 a.m., Officer Gaines observed a male stand in the flower beds located on the side of Amici. The male then began to kick the bushes and pebbles in the flower bed and then proceeded to jump off the flower bed. Contact was made with the male who

advised Officer Gaines that he had consumed four alcoholic beverages earlier in the evening. The male was arrested and transported to Milledgeville PD and charged with public drunk.

Taking a risk

On Nov. 1, at approximately 1:44 a.m., Officer Williams observed a vehicle on Montgomery Street fail to yield to oncoming traffic. A traffic stop was initiated by Sgt. Ennis and contact was made with the driver. The driver tested positive for alcohol on the Alco-Sensor and was arrested and transported to Milledgeville PD. The driver was issued a citation for underage possession of alcohol. The vehicle was left at the scene of the stop.

When you gotta go...

On Nov. 1, at approximately 2:25 a.m., Sgt. Lance observed a male urinating in the bushes by Atkinson Hall. Contact was made with the individual who was student. The student admitted to drinking alcohol earlier in the night and was arrested. The student was transported to Milledgeville PD and charged with public drunk.

You gotta go

On Nov. 2, at approximately 2:11 a.m., Officer Gaines observed a male going into a secluded alley between Amici and Joiners Market. Contact was made with the individual, whose zipper was down. The individual tested positive for alcohol on the Alco-Sensor and was arrested for public drunk and transported to Milledgeville PD for processing.

Information compiled by Jessica Murphy

Please go online to gcsunade.com to download the extended Public Safety Report podcast.

THE SGA NEWSFEED

There is a good possibility that the number of “graduates” walking in commencement in the coming years will dramatically decrease. In a recent Academic Governance Meeting, a proposal to set detailed requirements to walk in commencement has been brought to the table, and has a very good chance of being approved. Starting in the Spring of 2008, students that plan on graduating and walking in commencement must have their application turned in by September of the previous year. Currently there is a “deadline” for applications to be turned in, but the deadline is not really enforced. If the proposal

from the Academic Governance Committee is approved and signed off by President Leland, students will have no grace if they miss the September 1 deadline. If students turn in the application on September 2, they will not be able to participate in commencement in upcoming May. No if, ands or buts about it. The committee has brought this proposal to the table in order to reduce the number of students participating in commencement, yet do not have the requirements to actually graduate. Students will need to have an application turned in by September 1, and the application will be reviewed to determine if students can participate in commence-

ment in May. Keep an ear out and listen to SGA for this possible change to affect students graduating in the spring of 2008 or later. In other news, the Sweetwater Festival went over very well this past weekend. Student Government Association sponsored the bands, and the turnout was a great success. SGA’s Get Baked on the Front Lawn was also a success for many RSO’s. Keep your eyes open for more SGA events that will be soon to come.

Submitted by SGA Senator Ryan Greene

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## We love Nintendo



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So many classics to choose from, so little time.

BY KYLE DOMINY  
SENIOR REPORTER

9:20 p.m. – I had homework to do. I could have sat down and concentrated on my studies, but there was something else calling for my attention . . . my 8-bit Nintendo Entertainment System.

I decided to begin my adventure with the game that started it all, Super Mario Brothers.

Despite the existence of more advanced gaming consoles, such as the Playstation 2 and the X-Box 360, and the upcoming and even better systems, like the PS3 and the Nintendo Wii, the popularity of old school video games still tends to be high. “They’re more pure,” said Mike Parks, a junior political science major. “The new games have gotten too technical, you can’t enjoy stuff like that.”

Parks’ favorite game is Duck Hunt.

“It’s a big classic, baby,” he said.

10:01 p.m. – I beat Super Mario Brothers. It took me longer than I had hoped, but I haven’t played in 10 years. I needed to play something that I might still be good at. I pulled out Mega Man 2 and inserted it into the console.

But what keeps these games alive? Why don’t

they fade away like a bad romance novel?

Dr. Lee Gillis, chair of the psychology department, has the answer.

“I think a lot of it has to do with what’s familiar. It has to do with taking people to fun times, good times,” Gillis said.

He said it is all nostalgia. “Nostalgia,” Gillis said, reading from a psychology dictionary, “the longing to return to an earlier period of life particularly pleasant compared to the present.”

Some students have fond childhood memories of playing their first video games.

“I used to play with my cousin Keith all the time,” said Matt Scott, senior accounting major. “We used to play Pac-Man and he would hand me a controller and say I was the ghosts. The funny thing is, I believed him.”

Scott’s favorite game is Tecmo Super Bowl.

Some students just remember the games.

“My fondest memory (of NES) is Contra because I still remember the code for the 30-up men,” said Elijah Davis, senior Marketing major.

Davis’ favorite game, obviously, is Contra.

11:09 p.m. – I couldn’t beat Mega Man 2, but I was determined to regain my

old Nintendo glory, so I didn’t give up. I put in Mike Tyson’s Punch Out.

Another reason old games retain their popularity is because of their simplicity.

“Anybody can play the old games,” said Jeff Long, senior philosophy major. “With the new games you have to memorize button combinations and that’s a waste of time.”

11:40 p.m. – Mike Tyson knocked out. I started to feel a little better about myself and I thought it a good time to try one of the hardest games in history, Castlevania.

1:20 a.m. – I couldn’t beat it. I don’t even know why I tried. My thumbs had started hurting and I was very angry. Now I know why I stopped playing video games.

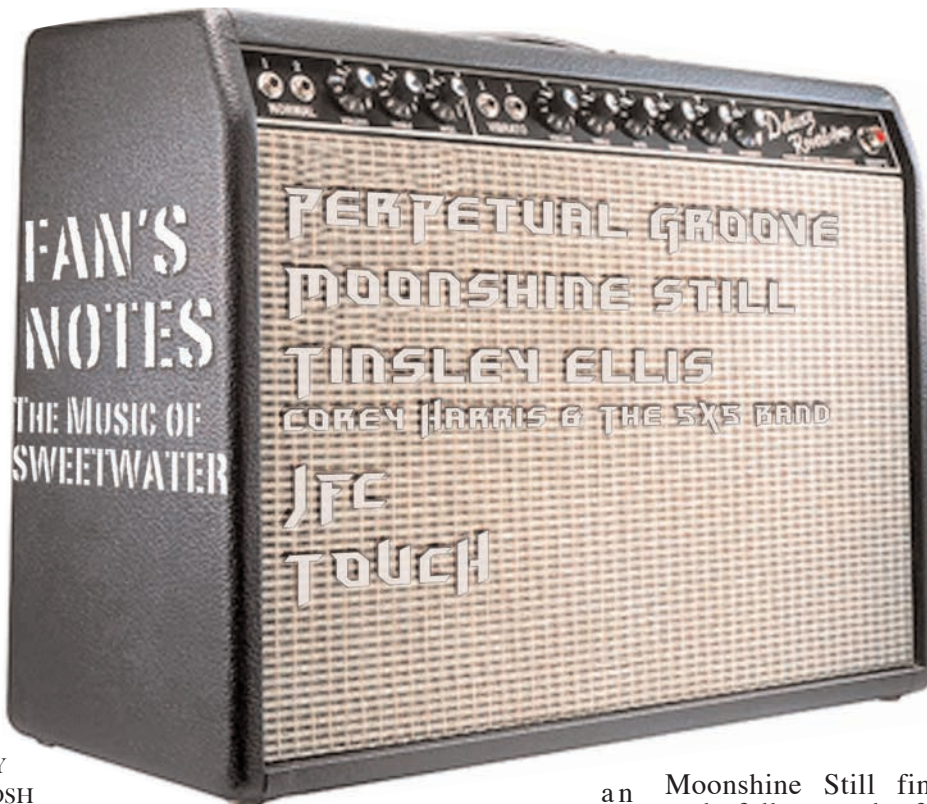
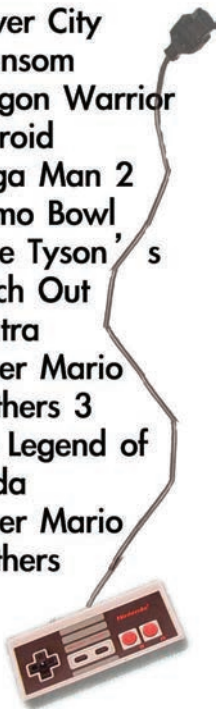
They say that playing video games encourages people to act violently, but that’s another thing old school gamers don’t have to worry about.

Gillis agrees. “The models (of old games), which are stick figures at best, are so far from who you are that you don’t want to replicate those models,” Gillis said. “Now it’s so realistic and there is research showing that people can be very involved in those violent games and they can go out and commit violent acts.”

1:30 a.m. – After a hard nights Nintendo, I put my games away and went to bed.

### NINTENDO’S TOP 10

- 10) River City Ransom
- 9) Dragon Warrior
- 8) Metroid
- 7) Mega Man 2
- 6) Tecmo Bowl
- 5) Mike Tyson’s Punch Out
- 4) Contra
- 3) Super Mario Brothers 3
- 2) The Legend of Zelda
- 1) Super Mario Brothers



BY JOSH FULMER  
SENIOR REPORTER

The 3rd annual Sweetwater Festival brought some of the best musicians from the Southeast in a lineup that offered something for everyone. Here’s what you missed:

Gospel group Touch and local rock band JFC kicked off mainstage music early Saturday afternoon, preparing downtown Milledgeville for the headlining acts to come. Atlanta native Tinsley Ellis took the stage, demonstrating the kind of musical prowess that only several decades of devotion to the blues can provide. Ellis’ effortless fusion of edgy, distinctly Southern rock, blues-based melodic riffs and jam band-like improvisation combined with his soulful vocals to convey a sound that is at once traditional and innovative.

As daylight faded from the downtown skyline, Corey Harris and the 5x5 Band took the stage to deliver an incredible blend of blues, reggae, funk and jazz inspired by Harris’ own world travels to explore the very roots of the genres. The 37-year-old Harris has developed his style after 25 years of musical experimentation and left the crowd feeling that they had made a musical discovery.

“We just kinda kept on writing songs, trying to be original and it just kind of developed over time.”  
-Corey Harris

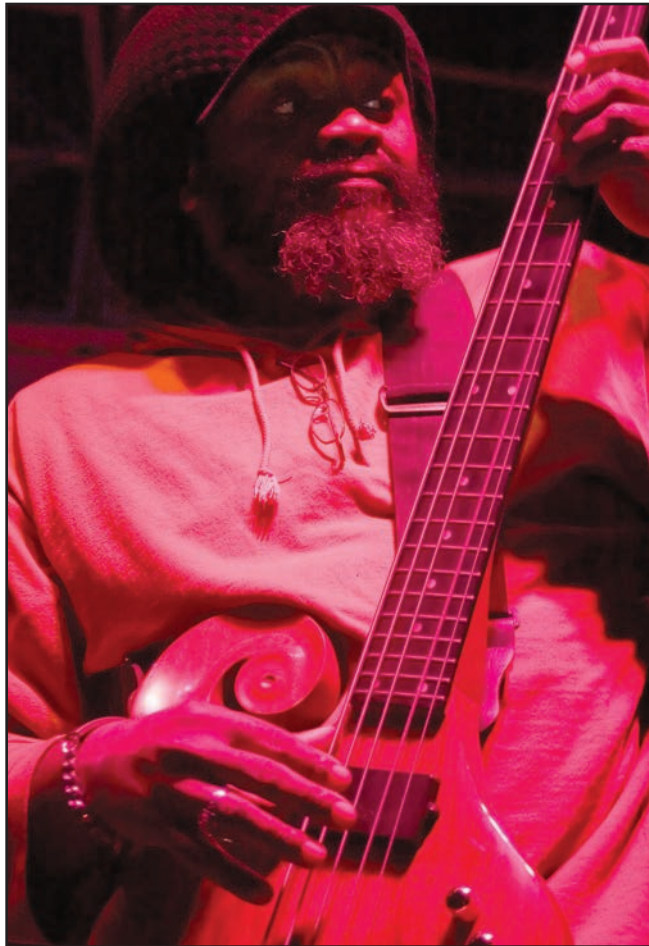
Savannah natives Perpetual Groove took the stage next, immersing Hancock Street in it’s own blend of jazz and psychedelic rock with pulsing electronic melodies. “PGroove” transitioned seamlessly from one epic jam to another, conveying

an incredible depth of emotion and energizing an already-excited crowd with an amazing display of musicianship.

PGroove remained on the stage to combine musical forces with longtime Milledgeville favorites Moonshine Still to form “Moongroove,” a merger resulting in intense melodic exploration. Extended jams were highlighted by combined guitar riffs from PGroove’s Brock Butler and Moonshine’s David Shore.

“We’ve made this lasting relationship with (PGroove) over the years...we’ve both matured as bands, but when you put the two together there’s still that brotherhood, that Georgia contingency.”

-Scott Baston, Moonshine Still



MOLLY HARDEE / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Victor Brown of Corey Harris and the 5x5 Band plucks the bass.



MOLLY HARDEE / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Moonshine Still rocked downtown Milledgeville Saturday night, Nov. 4. Still was the headlining act of the third annual Sweetwater Festival.

## Public Safety: a history

BY RENATO OLIVEIRA  
SENIOR REPORTER

The GCSU Public Safety Department consists of a police force with the responsibility of providing safety and property security services for students, faculty, staff and visitors of the university. However, what most students do not know is that Public Safety has gone through many changes before reaching the status of a law enforcement team.

Public Safety has not always been a department. It started in the ’60s with only a few watchmen escorting students to the female residence halls, when GCSU was a college strictly for women (Georgia College for Women). In 1969 it became a security agency and finally developing into a depart-

ment a decade later.

“Robert Miller Furman was the man who started the Public Safety Department back in May 1 of 1979,” Deputy Director Richard Goodson said. “Our department has grown a good bit since then.”

In 1985, Public Safety became a certified police department with the state of Georgia when one of the officers at that time, Ken Vance, became the new Public Safety Director.

“We realized the need to be more aggressive due to the alcohol, violence and gang problems we were having in the mid-’80s,” Vance said.

By that time, Public Safety only owned a truck, a station wagon and a golf cart.

“All we did during those years was foot patrol. We would walk everywhere,”

Vance said. “Despite those issues, we would put the total of 12 people in jail yearly during the ’80s. Now, unfortunately, we have to put 12 people in jail every month.”

Nowadays, Public Safety is as well-equipped as any police department in the state of Georgia.

“We only do not have a jail and I do not think I want one,” Vance said.

Vance also recalled an article published in USA Today in 1990 in which GCSU was appointed the safest campus in the country contrasting with Georgia Tech University, placing in the last spot on the list.

According to Deputy Goodson, Public Safety is continuing to grow with 11 officers in 1997, which was

# Fitness Brief



BY DEVIN VERNICK  
SENIOR REPORTER

For many college students, a supposedly ordinary trip to the grocery store could be a potential disaster waiting to occur. Running up and down the aisles to toss only the same 15 foods into the grocery cart every visit can be a recipe for trouble, unless you're taking home the right foods.

A typical, off-campus student grocery shops every other week and can easily be following a pattern that has a negative impact on their body. A student can easily throw the cheapest items into the cart, but a low cost usually does not translate into high quality.

Sarah Miller, a senior marketing major at GCSU, usually makes a

list before she heads to the store in order to keep from making these shopping mistakes.

"I usually go to the fruit and produce section first and get fruits and vegetables that will not go bad in a couple of days. Most of my money goes towards yogurt, juice, milk, bottled water, fruit, vegetables and soup," Miller said.

All of the above are nutritious choices for any shopper wondering what they should purchase on their next grocery trip. One concern commonly shared amongst students is the cost of healthier foods as opposed to less wholesome alternatives.

"Two weeks of food is \$30-\$45, but that includes other necessities (like soap). That is worth it, you should be willing to spend a little more money to be healthier instead of taking shortcuts and having [health] problems down the road," said John Fogleman, a sophomore business major.

Lindsay Smith, a sophomore nursing major, agreed with Fogleman's awareness of his grocery shopping habits.

"I just think you need to

be careful about the eating habits you develop [in college] because that may dictate how you are for the rest of your life," Smith said.

That said, here are a few "must-purchase" foods for the next time you plan to take care of those groceries, as suggested by Dr. Liz Applegate in a recent interview with "Runner's World" magazine: Whole wheat bread (check the nutrition label to be sure those exact words are written), chicken breasts, green vegetables (frozen veggies last longer and are less expensive), skim or 1% fat milk, fruits, eggs, turkey, black beans, almonds or peanuts, and whole grain cereals (no marshmallows). It is best to avoid foods with excess sugar (< 20 grams), white flour, trans-fats, and high amounts of sodium. When in doubt, do a little outside research to be sure that what you put into your body will benefit you the most.

"I watch the food network a lot. I really like to take a healthy alternative on things and having a balanced daily intake of food. You can notice the difference in how you feel by what you eat," said Fogleman .



SHELLEY WATSON / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

The GCSU Jazz Band performed their fall concert Nov. 2 and 3.

# Smooth sounds of jazz

BY BECCA BROOKS  
STAFF WRITER

Swingin' vibes and vibrant energy initiated the Jazz Band's annual Fall Concert in Russell Auditorium on Nov. 2 and 3.

The 27-piece band was under the direction of Dr. Todd Shiver, an associate professor of music and the director of bands. Accompanied with Dr. Bob Wilson, the MC, the night was filled with laughs and personality.

The constant banter between Shiver and Wilson set up a heart-felt evening in pure appreciation of jazz music and history. They both described their experiences in the Czech Republic and their admiration for the European enjoyment of jazz.

The musical arrangements varied from Nat King Cole's "Straighten Up and Fly Right" to Michael Bublé's "Feeling Good". Bublé's piece was a favorite to many, including freshman Kirk Bowers.

A freshman Athletic Training major and jazz enthusiast, Bowers said the overall tone was happy and he felt the band was just having a good time.

"The upbeat and fast-

paced loud music sparked my interest back during the early high school years," Bowers said.

The inspired and jovial atmosphere was set by a colorful, mood setting backdrop. The polite and interactive audience also created an environment of rich and bright energy.

Freshman Joel Graham enjoyed performing in the concert as much as the audience enjoyed the show.

"Performing is quite a rush" Graham said. "It's great just being up there and interacting with the audience through the music, it's so rewarding."

As a 13-year veteran of the trumpet, Graham has always been inspired by great trumpet players, such as the late Maynard Ferguson and Bud Herseth.

"The jazz band here is much different than high school, and I like it mainly because there is less focus on the pedagogical aspect and more emphasis on performance and having fun," Graham said.

The evening progressed with presentations of Charlie Barnet's "Skyliner" and Bill Liston's "Why Musicians Can't Dance". However, the vocal input from Laura Dees spiced up songs like "Boogie Blues

and "Straighten Up and Fly Right".

Trumpet player Philip Joiner gave a passionate rendition of "Feeling Good", arranged by Douglas O'Grady. His execution of body movement and deep expressions thoroughly impressed the crowd.

Additionally, James McMillan's wailing trumpet solo in Benny Golson's "I Remember Clifford" soulfully touched the audience with its somber and emotional tone. The several sax solos from Kyle Christmas cannot be forgotten.

Attendee Bren Thomas, a freshman theatre major, heard the jazz band concerts were amazing. He was not disappointed.

"[I]will definitely go to another; I felt hip by being there," Thomas said.

The Jazz Band will next perform a Holiday Concert, which will be held on Dec. 1 in Russell Auditorium at 8 p.m. The Holiday Concert will be the first in over 30 years. Shiver said, "The tickets are expected to sell out, so be sure to buy your ticket in advance."

Proceeds from the concerts will go toward the cost for the band's trip to the Czech Republic .

# Police

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when he started at the department. Public Safety is now comprised of 15 officers, including a separate investigation division.

"We would love to get more officers, but we need more budget in order for that to happen," Goodson said. "We hope to have four officers in each shift one day."

Goodson said that each shift lasts 12 hours and only two officers work on each shift at the moment.

Officer Tyson Campbell, a familiar face around campus, enjoys his daily duties with Public Safety and appreciates coming to

work every day.

"I have been working for Public Safety for five years and I like the work environment here," Campbell said.

Campbell also said that he graduated from GCSU in 2000 and decided to join Public Safety while getting his masters degree.

"It was a good deal to be a "staff student," as I had all my tuitions paid for," Campbell said.

Although Officer Campbell is highly educated, to become a Public Safety officer it is only required a person be 21 years old and have a high school degree or a GED (General Equivalency Diploma).

During all the 27 years of existence, officers of Public Safety have seen all kinds of outrageous

events.

"Drunken students are always unpredictable and have been always an issue," Goodson said. "But comparing to a car flying from Columbia Street directly into (old) Napier Hall , killing the driver, and a few other suicides, including one right across street from campus, it is not that bad."

Students are content and pleased with the security services provided by Public Safety.

"When I walk to downtown or on campus, the huge amount of cop cars just amazes me," said senior psychology major Mariano Cebrian. "It is good to have that feeling of being safe. They (police officers) are out there to do their job."



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SPORTS GUY

BY WES BROWN

Rebuilding in  
2007?

The men hit the court in the 2006-2007 season with a lot to prove. They need to show if they are a contender or a pretender.

Last year, GCSU won its fourth Peach Belt Conference Championship with a 16-4 league mark, and advanced to the "Sweet Sixteen" of the NCAA Division II Tournament.

Can the Bobcats continue this hot streak? The Bobcats lost six seniors from last season, four of which were in the starting five. As a result, the men are going to be pretenders this season. I believe the team has the talent to be a top team in the conference, but I do not think they have the leadership or the experience to get them there.

Six lettermen, only two of whom are seniors, return from last year's championship team, including junior center Aaron Clark who averaged 13.2 points per game and 7.5 rebounds per game.

Along with Clark, GCSU returns senior point guard Shejdie Childs who averaged 3.1 points per game and 2.3 assists per game. Childs started only 16 games last year.

GCSU also looks to two returning upperclassmen for a spark this season. One of them is senior Aaron Gibbs, who hit seven three pointers in a win over Columbus State last year, and junior Jay Warden.

The team does welcome new talent this year as transfers. A strong player to watch out for is Sophomore Shaun Keaton. With one year under his belt as point guard at East Tennessee State, a division one school, he will bring a lot of leadership to the lineup.

In addition to Keaton, a pair of junior college transfers will have a chance to step up at the forward positions. Travis Nelson transfers to GCSU from Brevard Community College, while Levert Carter transfers from Atlanta Metro Community College.

Despite all of the talent on the Bobcats, I do not believe they put it all together this season to be a premiere team in the PBC. The returning upperclassmen, besides Clark, have limited experience on the court. Moreover, Gibbs and Warden averaged less than five points per game last year. This will not win games. The 2007 season will be a tough one for the Bobcats, but look for the team to shine in 2008, as the team will have four seniors on the team to lead the way.

## Tennis tourney supports humanity

BY JAMIE FLEMING  
STAFF REPORTER

Tennis for Habitat was held at Centennial tennis courts on Nov. 3.

The event was coordinated by Mariano Cebrian, a senior psychology major, Erick Sequeria, a junior exercise science major and Angelina Wallace, a mass communication major as a project for their principles of marketing class.

They were given options about an organization for whom to raise money and had to coordinate an event to do so. One of the reasons they decided to use tennis is Cebrian plays and Sequeria has played tennis for GCSU.

"The Tennis for Habitat was an idea for fundraising for a marketing project in our principles of marketing class," Sequeria said. "My group and I thought that would be a good idea, and since I am on the tennis team and one of my group partners, Cebrian, was on the team in the past; it was something we were familiar with as well."

The first clinics were held from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and the second round was from 3 - 6 p.m.

Not many people came out that Saturday morning, which Wallace attributed to the cold weather.

"A lot of people probably got up and saw how cold it was and said they would come later,"



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Senior athletic training major Adam Gustavson works on his forehand during a clinic run by GCSU men's tennis player Mariano Cebrian at the Tennis for Habitat fundraiser last Saturday at The Centennial Center Tennis Courts.

Wallace said.

During the clinical, members of the GCSU tennis team showed individuals the basics needed to play tennis. While they had members of the tennis team helping with the clinics, Cebrian and Sequeria instructed as well.

"The clinics consisted of instructions for the

strokes (forehand, backhand, volley and serve) and visual demonstrations of how it should be done," Sequeria said. "Mariano and I did the demonstrations. These instructions were presented one at a time, for example, (first) the explanation of the stroke, (second) a demonstration, and (third) 20-30

minutes of action and instruction."

After the clinics, a tournament was held for the participants. Prizes were for first and second place and included things like most improved, most fun participant, most energetic, most valuable player, best forehand, most enthusiastic and best serve.

Brian Underwood, a sophomore nursing major, participated and won first prize for the morning tournament. He said he went because he is friends with many of the tennis players and it was for a good cause.

"I had a lot of fun," Underwood said. "Since I have been playing tennis my whole life, a lot of what was taught to me were things that I already knew. During the drills, I asked more advanced questions to help my level of play."

Individuals who donated were able to write the donation off for tax exemption. They raised \$180, and it all went to Habitat for Humanity of Baldwin County.

Cebrian said he thought the day went well, but he was a little disappointed with the turn out.

"I hoped a little more people would come, but we were competing with Sweetwater," Cebrian said.

Wallace said she thought the day was pretty successful as well.

"I think overall the day went well," Wallace said. "The tennis instruction was superb and all the participants commented that they really learned a lot and enjoyed themselves. We had a smaller turn out than we had initially anticipated; however, it's hard to compete with Sweet Water and GCSU Parents' Day."

## Intramurals proposes \$13,000 increase

BY A.J. FOSS  
SENIOR REPORTER

The Department of Campus Life has begun a process to raise the budget for the funding of the intramural program.

Thomas Miles, director of campus life, has sent a proposal to the university to have the student activity fee to be raised by \$5 dollars which Miles believes would raise the budget for the intramural program from its current state of \$37,000 to \$50,000. The proposal is currently at Dr. Dorothy Leland's desk.

"It's now in the President's hands and she will be sending it to the Board of Regents," Miles said.

One of the reasons that Miles is asking for the budget to be raised is to meet the expansions of the intramural program. An example is this year's flag football intramural program which included 77 teams in all divisions of the program. That is an increase from the 52 teams of last year's flag football program.

With more students participating in intramural sports, the Campus Life department has had to hire extra students to help officiate all of the intramural games and the department feels that these officials are not being paid sufficiently.

"The increase in intramural/recreational sports is primarily to support the salaries



ANDREA GRIFFIN / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Alpha Delta Pi played against Phi Mu in intramural soccer last Thursday at the intramural fields on West Campus. The intramural department proposed a \$13,000 increase in the budget to accommodate the sudden interest in intramural sports.

for intramural sports officials (students)," Miles said.

The proposal has gotten support from Joel Sanderson, coordinator of intramural and recreational sports. Sanderson said that with the tight budget, he had to build soccer goals that were \$300 and he believes that these goals will only

be sufficient for this season.

"I feel we are giving the students a pretty good product, but with an increase in funding, we would be giving them a great program," Sanderson said.

If the proposal is approved, Sanderson says that the Campus Life department would purchase

better equipment for intramural sports and would be able to provide more intramural events, including events on the weekends.

"The ultimate impact (of an increased budget) is that students would have a better environment to play in and more opportunities to participate," said Sanderson.

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## Upcoming Sports

## Men's Basketball:

Nov. 17 6 p.m. @Catawba

## Women's Basketball:

Nov. 15 7 p.m. Anderson

Nov. 17 5 p.m. @Columbus St.

## Quote of the Week

If the NBA were on channel 5 and a bunch of frogs making love were on channel 4, I'd watch the frogs, even if they were coming in fuzzy.

-- Bobby Knight

## STAT of the WEEK

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The increase of flag football teams enrolled in intramurals in 2006. There were 52 teams in 2005 and 77 teams in 2006.

# Lacrosse club hopes to get into conference play



MOLLY HARDEE / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
GCSU Freshman James Vore (R) discusses his last play with a teammate during practice. The Lacrosse club has struggled in its first year, losing all its games, but hopes to get into the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference.

BY COREY DICKSTEIN  
STAFF REPORTER

The GCSU Lacrosse Club has officially embarked upon its inaugural semester of competition.

Following two months of practice, the club has competed in three games and although they have yet to win, they have shown significant improvement with each game.

Co-President Matt Miller said that they struggled in their first game at Emory, but played much better Saturday against Kennesaw State and the University of Georgia's club teams.

"The UGA team is by far the best team we've played so far," Miller said. "We lost to them by the same amount that we lost to Emory, so I feel like we're coming along."

While winning is certainly a goal for the club, members understand that they are part of a brand new club that is facing teams that have been together for a few years.

"The teams we've played aren't as new as us, their players are all experienced, half our guys are learning the game for the first time," Miller said. "We're not 100 percent where we want to be, but now that we have the numbers we are getting there."

Miller and Co-President David Weissman decided to start the club three semesters ago because they felt like there was a real interest in the sport around

campus.

"I played club ball in high school and my senior year we started a varsity team," Miller said. "I wanted to keep playing in college because I really enjoy it. It's something to do and have fun with."

After a lot of work Miller and Weissman began the process to create a recognized student organization.

"We had to apply and show that there is a real interest in the club in order to get the RSO label," Miller said. "Then we had to present our idea to the sports club board."

The next step the club wants to take is to get into the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference.

"You have to show them you're legit," Miller said. "They have to see that we're a real team with the ability to travel. So far, we're just playing away games, at Emory and at Kennesaw this past weekend. We have to get our name out there."

"Lacrosse is really a spring sport, right now we're doing the fall ball part, but we're eventually going to try and get some home games this spring at the intramural field," Miller said.

The club is still looking for anybody that is interested to come out. No experience is necessary, as many members of the team have never played before.

Jeremy Abraham joined the club after hearing about it through some friends.

"I played football and soccer in high school and

thought this was kind of combining the two," Abraham said.

Abraham describes the game as kind of like hockey on grass, except without boards around the field.

"It's a unique sport," Abraham said. "I've never played anything like it before."

Abraham said he is learning as he goes but that the game is pretty easy to pick up.

"Lacrosse is a relatively new sport, especially in this area," Miller said. "Most people have not seen much of it, I think what attracts most people to it is the hitting. It's not as high contact as football, but there are some good hits in the games."

Jonathon Pawlowski said that those hits are a substantial component that lured him to the sport.

"I played when I was younger, but I didn't have time in high school," Pawlowski said. "I saw the opportunity to play now and I jumped on it because it is so much fun and keeps me in shape. Of course I also really like the opportunity to hit people with my stick and body."

The team practices Monday through Thursday from 6:30 - 8 p.m. at the Bobcat Intramural Field and Miller encourages anyone who is interested to come out and join them.

"Students should at least come out and watch, we try to have inter-squad scrimmages on Thursdays," Miller said. "I really think people will enjoy watching the sport."

consist of Dr. J. Michael Peeler, John Kurtz, Duward Whelchel, Robert Williams, Sherita Ballard, Phil Arp, Julia Roudkovskaya, Jennifer Joiner, David Robinson and Tom Gorman.

Events will close Saturday night with the Alumni Barbeque at the Centennial Center at 6 p.m. For more information, contact the GCSU Athletics Department at (478) 445-6341.

## NATIONAL SPORTS SPOT



VS.



Georgia at No. 5 Auburn  
1:30 p.m. ESPN Plus

The South's oldest rivalry resumes Saturday as UGA visits Auburn. With a strong Auburn defense, allowing only 11.5 points per game, and a struggling Georgia offense, three interceptions against Kentucky, it could get ugly. Final score 31-17 Auburn.



VS.



No. 13 Tennessee at No. 11 Arkansas  
8:00 p.m. ESPN 2

After losing to LSU last weekend, Tennessee lost their chance to take the SEC West. They now play spoiler against Arkansas. If Arkansas wins, they could wrap-up the SEC East. The edge goes to Arkansas with a score of 24-21. They are playing at Arkansas and Tennessee will not have Eric Ainge at quarterback.



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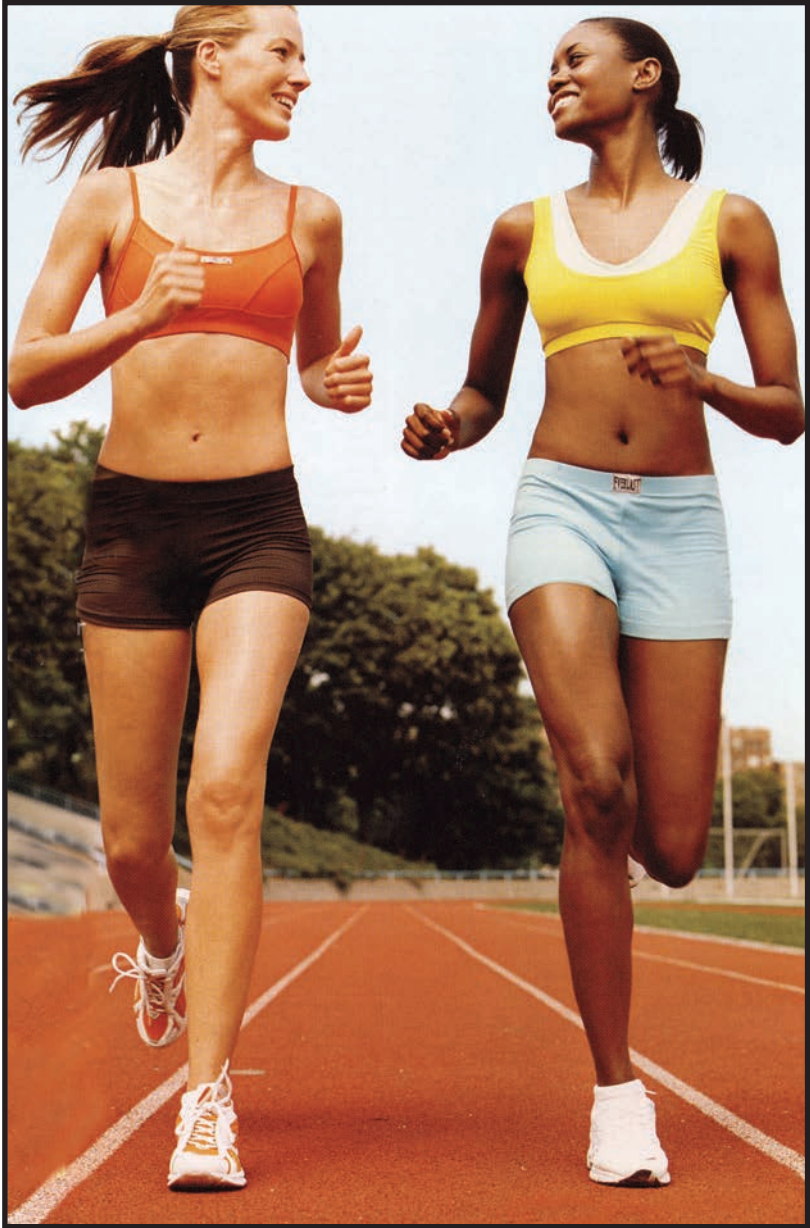


South Carolina at No. 6 Florida  
3:30 p.m. CBS

Spurrier returns to the swamp this Saturday. Despite a Gamecocks 30-22 home win against Florida last year, the Gamecocks have struggled in this series. Before last year's win, South Carolina had lost the last 14 games. Moreover, South Carolina has never won in 10 all-time trips to Gainesville. Florida wins in a blow-out 35-20.

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# Alumni weekend honors inaugural hall of fame

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GCSU Athletics Department will host its first annual Hall of Fame induction ceremony during the Athletics Alumni Weekend this Friday and Saturday, Nov. 10- 11.

Events are scheduled for alumni and guests throughout the weekend, including the Diamond Scramble Golf Tournament at noon on Friday, which will be held at Little Fishing Creek Golf Course. On Saturday,

there will be various alumni games and competitions for baseball, softball, men's and women's tennis, and men's and women's basketball.

The highlight of the weekend will be the Hall of Fame induction ceremony, which will be held in the Magnolia Ballroom in the Student Activities Center at 5 p.m. The GCSU Athletics Hall of Fame committee was put together last Spring, and the inaugural class will have 10 members. The 2006 inductees

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